

to conduct the human exploration and utilization of space.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the concurrent resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the concurrent resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 448) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—S. 3711

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I understand there is a bill at the desk that is due for a second reading.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3711) to enhance the energy independence and security of the United States by providing for exploration, development, and production activities for mineral resources in the Gulf of Mexico, and for other purposes.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to further proceeding.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Objection is noted.

The bill will be placed on the calendar.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate immediately proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations on today's Executive Calendar: Calendar Nos. 767, 768, 786 through 810, and all nominations on the Secretary's desk. I further ask unanimous consent that the nominations be confirmed en bloc, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then return to legislative session.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Martin J. Jackley, of South Dakota, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota for the term of four years.

Brett L. Tolman, of Utah, to be United States Attorney for the District of Utah for the term of four years.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Sue C. Payton, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

Charles E. McQueary, of North Carolina, to be Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, Department of Defense.

IN THE AIR FORCE

The following named officers for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be brigadier general

Colonel Gregory A. Biscone, 0000
Colonel Edward L. Bolton, Jr., 0000
Colonel Joseph D. Brown, IV, 0000
Colonel Gregory L. Brundidge, 0000
Colonel Timothy A. Byers, 0000
Colonel Michael W. Callan, 0000
Colonel David S. Fadok, 0000
Colonel Craig A. Franklin, 0000
Colonel David L. Goldfein, 0000
Colonel Francis L. Hendricks, 0000
Colonel John W. Hesterman, III, 0000
Colonel James W. Hyatt, 0000
Colonel John E. Hyten, 0000
Colonel Michelle D. Johnson, 0000
Colonel Richard C. Johnston, 0000
Colonel Joseph A. Lanni, 0000
Colonel Kenneth D. Merchant, 0000
Colonel Michael R. Moeller, 0000
Colonel Harry D. Pumbo, 0000
Colonel John D. Posner, 0000
Colonel James O. Poss, 0000
Colonel Mark F. Ramsay, 0000
Colonel Mark O. Schissler, 0000
Colonel Charles K. Shugg, 0000
Colonel Marvin T. Smoot, Jr., 0000
Colonel Alfred J. Stewart, 0000
Colonel Everett H. Thomas, 0000
Colonel William W. Uhle, Jr., 0000
Colonel Dartanian Warr, 0000
Colonel Brett T. Williams, 0000
Colonel Tod D. Wolters, 0000

IN THE ARMY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. N. Ross Thompson, III, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Thomas R. Turner, II, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Douglas E. Lute, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be major general

Brig. Gen. Charles H. Davidson, IV, 0000

The following named officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grades indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be major general

Brigadier General Steven R. Abt, 0000
Brigadier General James A. Hasbargen, 0000
Brigadier General John P. McLaren, Jr., 0000
Brigadier General William Monk, III, 0000
Brigadier General James W. Rafferty, 0000

To be brigadier general

Colonel Craig A. Bugno, 0000
Colonel Harold G. Bunch, 0000
Colonel Walter B. Chahanovich, 0000
Colonel Christopher T. Cline, 0000
Colonel David S. Elmo, 0000
Colonel Robert N. Hipwell, 0000

Colonel Alexander I. Kozlov, 0000

Colonel Jon J. Miller, 0000

Colonel David L. Smalley, 0000

Colonel Robert P. Stall, 0000

Colonel Jonathan Woodson, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Stanley A. McChrystal, 0000

The following Army National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be major general

Brig. Gen. Jimmy G. Welch, 0000

IN THE MARINE CORPS

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Richard F. Natonski, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Keith J. Stalder, 0000

The following named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general in the United States Marine Corps while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. James F. Amos, 0000

The following named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general in the United States Marine Corps while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. John F. Sattler, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be brigadier general

Col. Charles M. Gurganus, 0000

IN THE NAVY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be rear admiral

Rear Adm. (lh) David J. Dorsett, 0000

The following named officers for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be rear admiral

Rear Adm. (lh) Richard E. Cellon, 0000

Rear Adm. (lh) Wayne G. Shear, Jr., 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be rear admiral

Rear Adm. (lh) Michael C. Bachmann, 0000

The following named officers for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Mark A. Handley, 0000

Capt. Christopher J. Mossey, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Thomas P. Meek, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. William D. Sullivan, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. William D. Crowder, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Vice Adm. Albert M. Calland, III, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. David J. Venlet, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Vice Adm. Jonathan W. Greenert, 0000

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

IN THE AIR FORCE

PN1775 AIR FORCE nomination of Julio Ocampo, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 29, 2006.

PN1776 AIR FORCE nomination of John L. Putnam, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 29, 2006.

PN1794 AIR FORCE nominations (3) beginning JOHN D. ADAMS, and ending DIANE HUEY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

PN1795 AIR FORCE nominations (30) beginning JOHN D. ADAMS, and ending KARL WOODMANSEY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

PN1796 AIR FORCE nominations (13) beginning MARK D. CAMPBELL, and ending GARY J. ZICCARDI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

PN1797 AIR FORCE nominations (29) beginning MICHAEL J. APOL, and ending DAWN M.K. ZOLDI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

IN THE ARMY

PN1602 ARMY nominations (30) beginning DAVID W. ACUFF, and ending MICHAEL E. YARMAN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2006.

PN1738 ARMY nomination of Barry L. Williams, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 26, 2006.

PN1739 ARMY nominations (2) beginning GERALD P. COLEMAN, and ending DAVID E. ROOT, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 26, 2006.

PN1740 ARMY nominations (3) beginning ROBERT T. DAVIES, and ending CURTIS E. WELLS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 26, 2006.

PN1741 ARMY nominations (15) beginning MICHELLE A. COOPER, and ending DAVID W. TOWLE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 26, 2006.

PN1742 ARMY nominations (3) beginning RICKIE A. MCPEAKE, and ending EUGENE J. PALKA, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 26, 2006.

PN1743 ARMY nomination of Paul A. Carter, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 26, 2006.

PN1777 ARMY nomination of Maritza S. Ryan, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 29, 2006.

PN1778 ARMY nominations (32) beginning ARMANDO AGUILERA, JR., and ending MICHAEL S. WALL, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 29, 2006.

PN1779 ARMY nominations (335) beginning BRIAN E. ABELL, and ending CUTTER M. ZAMBONI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 29, 2006.

PN1800 ARMY nominations (69) beginning ROBIN M. ADAMS, and ending EDWARD E. YACKEL, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

PN1801 ARMY nominations (17) beginning RICHARD E. BAXTER, and ending BARRY D. WHITESIDE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

PN1802 ARMY nominations (62) beginning CHRISTOPHER G. ARCHER, and ending PAUL H. YOON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

PN1803 ARMY nominations (106) beginning WADE K. ALDOUS, and ending ESMERALDO ZARZABAL, JR., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

PN1805 ARMY nominations (10) beginning JOHN C. BEACH, and ending LLOYD T. PHINNEY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

PN1629 NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION nominations (67) beginning PHILIP A. GRUCCIO, and ending JAMIE S. WASSER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 24, 2006.

IN THE NAVY

PN1744 NAVY nominations (24) beginning CAL ABEL, and ending THOMAS J. ZERR, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 26, 2006.

PN1 780 NAVY nomination of David E. Bauer, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 29, 2006.

PN1804 NAVY nomination of Cathy L. Trudeau, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

PN1806 NAVY nominations (3) beginning WALTER J. LAWRENCE, and ending RONALD L. RUGGIERO, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2006.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will now return to legislative session.

ORDERS FOR MONDAY, JULY 24, 2006

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 2 p.m. on Monday, July 24; I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate proceed to a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each until 3 o'clock; further, I ask that at 3 o'clock, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the Holmes nomination, as under the previous order.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, on Monday, we will turn to the nomination of Jerome Holmes to be a circuit court judge for the Tenth Circuit. Under the order, we will spend 2 hours of debate on Monday and then have an additional 2 hours of debate on Tuesday, to be followed by a vote on confirmation of the nomination. This vote on Tuesday will be the first vote of the week. Next week we will have a very busy week. We will continue with the Child Custody Protection Act. Under the agreement, we will have a limited number of amendments which we will consider on Tuesday. We will finish the child custody bill on Tuesday. That is going to require a number of votes throughout the afternoon and possibly into the evening. I ask my colleagues to adjust their schedules accordingly.

Next week I expect we will have other nominations and legislative items to complete. It will be a very busy week.

SENATE PROGRESS

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, we have had a productive week. I don't know if I could say an unusually productive week, as we always have good weeks, but a very strong week in terms of both the range of issues that we have debated on the floor as well as pieces of legislation, important pieces of legislation that have passed. The range is quite remarkable. As I outlined earlier this morning, we began this week studying and talking about and discussing and debating three bills that addressed issues that are challenging in that they address the ethical concerns surrounding science and the tremendous and remarkable advances in science. I have been a beneficiary of this because of my profession as a doctor and as a scientist. We all recognize